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In re Application of:)
Hajime HIRAMATSU et al.) Group Art Unit: 1656
Application No.: 10/522,789) Examiner: Suzanne Marie NOAKES
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For: THREE-DIMENSIONAL)
STRUCTURE OF DIPEPTIDYL)
PEPTIDASE IV)

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the document on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application.

A copy of the listed foreign and/or non-patent literature document is attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed document and indicate that it was considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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